



Jesus and the Canaanite Woman

October 8, 2017

Our Lady of Mercy

94 Broad Street
Plainville, Connecticut 06062-2799 USA



Celebration of the Holy Eucharist

Vigil of Sunday (Saturday): 4:00p

Sunday: 8:30a & 10:30a

Daily Mass: 8:00a

Rosary Devotion before daily Mass
(No morning Mass on Wednesdays)

Confessions: Saturdays 12:00p to 12:30p
or by appointment



We welcome all who gather here to worship with us. You enter this House of God, our Father, not as a stranger but as His child. Come into your Father's presence with joy in your heart and thanks on your lips, offering your love, devotion and service.

Be grateful to all who came before you who, in the Name of Jesus Christ, built this place of worship, and to all those who have beautified and made holy this sacred space with their prayers, praise and financial sacrifices throughout the years. Ask God's blessing on all who love and cherish all places of faith. May that blessing come back to rest upon you, in your going out and your coming in.



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Hours: 9:00a to 4:00p (Weekdays)



PARISH MISSION:

We, the people of Our Lady of Mercy Church in Plainville, Connecticut are committed to journey together as a community of faith, hope, and love within the Catholic tradition.

We are called to witness to the presence of Jesus Christ in our lives through sharing and celebration of faith and a life of Christian service.

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Born as a Mission of Bristol in 1864 & Established as an Independent Parish in 1881

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"Do whatever He tells you." - Mary, to the disciples of Jesus (John 2:5)

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“My salvation is about to come; my justice, about to be revealed.” Those words from God, spoken through His prophet Isaiah, inspired great hope as God’s true justice was about to be known. Well, that’s not exactly what it says, is it? It says **“revealed.”** God did His part – He *revealed* His justice in **Christ the Lord**. Now, the *knowing* is our part. Get to know the Lord.



Saturday October 7, Vigil of 27th Ordinary Sunday

4:00p †Anna Consalvo by Angie & Tony Lucente

Sunday October 8, 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30a Missa Pro Populo (for the parish)

10:30a †Joseph Silverio, Sr. by Jo-Ann & Joe

Monday October 9,

8:00a †Robert Schultz & Shamus Boege by Family

Tuesday October 10,

8:00a †Terese & Cornelia LeVasseur by Family

No morning Mass on Wednesdays

Thursday October 12,

8:00a †Howard & Rilla Gessner by Family

Friday October 13,

8:00a †Deborah Ann Colella, James Joseph Mastrianni,

Della Gnazzo Mastrianni by Barbara Ann Colella

Saturday October 14, Weekday

8:00a †Dolores Monteleone – 1st Anniversary

†Frank Uryga – 1st Anniversary

Saturday October 14, Vigil of 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00p †David Healey by Angelo & Jackie

Sunday October 15, 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30a Missa Pro Populo (for the parish)

10:30a †Haley Petit by Family

The Pastoral Council meeting has been rescheduled to October 12, 7p in Room 102. All parishioners are invited to observe the meeting.



“Fostering Stewardship as a Way of Life”

Caring for and Sharing with Each Other

“GIFTS”

Giving In Faith Through Stewardship

Discover your God-given gifts and find a place in our community to give your gift back to God in gratitude and service. We welcome your talents.

Stewardship Thought for the Week

“Be kind to one another, compassionate and forgiving. Be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love.

Immorality or any impurity or greed must not even be mentioned among you, as is fitting among holy ones; no obscenity or silly or suggestive talk, which is out of place, but instead, thanksgiving.” (Ephesians 4: 32)

Treasure (Resources): Financial Report

\$3,951.00 Offertory Envelope for 9/30 & 10/1

\$ 971.00 Offertory Loose for 9/30 & 10/1

\$4,922.00 Sub total

541.42 Cathedraticum & CSSP Alms (11%) to Archdiocese

\$4,380.58 Total that stays in the parish for our use.

Thank you for giving your “first fruits” back to the Lord!

Thank you for making up past Sunday envelopes!

May God return your generosity to you 100-fold!



†Victims of Hurricane Maria

†Victims of Hurricane Irma

†Arlene Pelletier (75) aunt of Liette

†Victims of Hurricane Harvey

†Victims of the Las Vegas Shooting

†Victims of the Mexico Earthquake

To their families & friends, we offer our prayers & sympathy.



The Tabernacle Lamp is lighted for the *Greater Glory of God* and in recognition of the *Real Presence of Christ* and this week in memory of †**Deacon Ronald Camden**.

The Tabernacle Lamp ▲ is now available as a Memorial for \$5.

Last Will (and) Testament Can't Give All You'd Like to Give Now? Remember Our Lady of Mercy Parish In Your **Last Will & Testament**

Last Weekend	4:00p	8:30a	10:30a	Total
Attendance	197	145	139	481

HOPES COLLECTION...On behalf of the students in the Catholic elementary schools of the Archdiocese of Hartford, we send deep gratitude to all who contributed to the 2017 HOPES Collection. Your participation helps to create a culture of educational excellence and plays an important role in the evangelization of young students as active participants in their parish communities.

Michael S. Griffin, Ph.D.

Superintendent of Catholic Schools

Archdiocese of Hartford

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This Week This Week This Week This Week This Week

Sunday October 8

10:30a Men's AA meeting ('til 12:30p), Center, Room 107

Monday October 9

Parish Center Closed

6:00 – 8:00p Karate, Gym

Wednesday October 11

4:00 – 5:00p Reconciliation Class, Room 102

5:00 – 5:45p Older Children Sacrament Class, Room 102

7:00p NA meeting ('til 9:00p), Center, Room 107

Thursday October 12

1:00 – 2:30p Atrium

4:00 - 5:00p Eucharist Class, Room 102

7:00p Pastoral Council Meeting, Room 102

Saturday October 14

12:00p Confessions

4:00p Fair Trade Show, Gathering Space

Next ☀ Sunday October 15

8:30a Fair Trade Show, Gathering Space

10:30a Men's AA meeting ('til 12:30p), Center, Room 107

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Saint Anne

She was the mother of the Blessed Virgin and the grandmother of Jesus. She and her husband, Joachim, were very devoted to God. They lived in Nazareth. They had no children, and that was believed to be a punishment of God among the Jews. They prayed to God and begged Him to give them a child. She promised to give her child to God's service.

Their prayers were heard even though Anne was already too old to have children. A daughter was born to Anne, and she called her Miriam or "Mary." Anne offered her child to God at a very early age.

Mary spent some years helping in the Temple. When she returned to Nazareth the Archangel Gabriel appeared to Mary and told her that she would be the Mother of the Son of God. St. Anne's name means "grace," God gave her special graces, and the greatest was that she was the mother of the Mother of God. St. Anne is the patron of mothers and of children. Her prayers to Jesus and Mary are very powerful.



RESPECT LIFE CONFERENCE...Saturday, October 14, 2017, 9:00a – 3:00p. Holy Angels Center, 585 Main St., Meriden, CT. Registration \$25 per person which includes hospitality and lunch. For more information or to answer any questions, please call 203.235.3822 between 8:00a & 3:00p. Topics include, End of Life Decision Making: Physician Assisted Suicide, Euthanasia, Pain Management & Hospice, Thinking Through the Ethics of the Transgender Question, Young Adults: Loud, Proud...and Pro-Life?, IVF, Surrogacy, and Embryo Adoption: What Does the Catholic Church Teach?, The Role of the Catholic Conference in State Politics.

Why We Need Fatima's Message Today – 100 years later!
(This is the third in a five part series on the miracle of Fatima. All five will appear in weekly parish bulletin.)
Excerpts from [Fr. Edward Looney's](#) discourse on '[Fatima's Message](#)'.

From May 2017 through October 2017, Catholics throughout the world are celebrating the 100th anniversary of Mary's message to three shepherd children in Fatima, Portugal. Mary appeared each month, on the thirteenth, with the exception of August, when the apparition occurred on a later date due to the imprisonment of the children. Our world needs the Fatima message 100 years later. In fact, many people, including popes and theologians, have said we need the message of Fatima more today than ever before. What part of the Fatima message do we need most? I'd like to propose five pertinent messages for the third millennium.

Session # 3. - Renew the Rosary Devotion

Each of the six apparitions from May-October 1917 contained a call from Our Lady to pray the rosary every day to obtain peace for the world. After all, the world was at that time in a major world war that was supposed to be the war to end all wars. As Our Lady predicted, if we did not heed her request, a second war did break out, and many more after that. We do not know the peace that God wants us to have. Prior to Vatican II, it was fairly common for the faithful to recite the rosary before, during, or after the Mass. In the years following the Council, through no fault of the Council itself, there seemed to have been a decline in this devotion. While some have called the period a time of "Marian silence" by the Church, it surely was not; evidenced by Paul VI's promotion of the rosary in 1974 in *Marialis Cultus*. The rosary has seen a momentum gain since St. John Paul II declared the Year of the Rosary October 2002-2003 and added the fourth set of mysteries—the Luminous mysteries. But the rosary has not been embraced by the entirety of the faithful.

[Why the Rosary? Why Now?](#) (Our Sunday Visitor). In a time where peace is needed more than ever; with the looming threat of nuclear war with North Korea, we need the message of Fatima more today than ever before. If we want peace in our world, have we committed ourselves to praying the rosary every day for this intention? This is what Mary asked us to do. As the title of one book put it, Fatima is the "[peace plan for the world.](#)"

(Our Lady told the children that in the end her Immaculate Heart will triumph. Her heart will triumph through each one of us, when we begin to live the message more intently. Allow the Fatima message to become a part of who you are, and strive to live the message every day.)

As we recite the rosary, it is not necessary to be holding the beads, I pray the rosary while mowing the lawn, ironing clothes or doing the dishes,

This way I pray as instructed by St Paul ... 'pray unceasingly'. It's easy!

Deacon Robert Berube – addendum.

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CCD: Confraternity of Christian Doctrine

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Religious Education Needs: Our faith formation programs are in need of the following items: cold drink cups 5 oz. or 9 oz. | hot drink cups 8 oz. | heavy duty paper plates | paper towels | disposable foil pans (large) | Ziploc bags (gallon or quart) | Velcro | plastic forks | small paper dessert plates | napkins | poster board (white or color) | paper cereal bowls | aluminum foil | coffee (regular or decaf). Items can be left in the Gathering Room box labeled Faith Formation. Thank you in advance for your continued generous support.

Close Encounters of the Real Kind: You are invited to join parishioners of all ages as we set out to discover more about the Sacraments. Every milestone in our lives a sacrament awaits us. Come and explore how the sacraments are given to us by God as an invitation to live life to its fullest. Think of them as our "Cliff Notes" for life. We would love to have you join us for monthly sessions. Call Jeanne for more information at 860.747.6825.

DIAPER DRIVE!...to Benefit the Plainville Community Food Pantry. October 7th – 15th. Please place your newly donated baby diapers in the box provided in the Gathering Room.



OLM BREAKFAST THIS SUNDAY FROM 8AM UNTIL 10:30AM. COME AND BUILD COMMUNITY WITH YOUR FELLOW PARISHIONERS AND ENJOY SOME GREAT TASTING FOOD!

Scripture Readings for Week of October 8, 2017

Sunday: IS 5:1-7/PHIL 4:6-9/MT 21:33-43

Monday: JON 1:1-2, 2:11/LK 10:25-37

Tuesday: JON 3:1-10/LK 10:38-42

Wednesday: JON 24:1-11/LK 11:1-4

Thursday: MAL 3:13-20B/LK 11:5-13

Friday: JL 1:13-15; 2:1-2/LK 11:15-26

Saturday: JL 4:12-21/LK 11:27-28

Next Sunday: IS 25:6-10A/PHIL 4:12-14,19-20/MT 22: 1-4



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Archdiocesan Women's Conference: A day to celebrate our Roman Catholic faith

A day of inspiration, spiritual nourishment, and sisterhood

Saturday, November 4, 2017

Hartford Marriott Downtown, Hartford, CT

9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Speakers:

Halle Lord, Sirius Radio, The Catholic Channel
Dr. Gloria Rodriguez, founder of AVANCE, Family support & education nonprofit

Mass celebrated by Archbishop Leonard P. Blair
Opportunities for Eucharistic Adoration and the Sacrament of Confession

Breakout sessions

Sponsored by: The Office of Education, Evangelization and Catechesis

Deadline for registration is: October 15, 2017

Cost is: \$50 for Archdiocesan residents and \$60 for non-residents. Includes: Deli lunch buffet and validated parking.

For more information and to register visit www.CatholicEdAOHCT.org or call Nicole Perone at: 860-242-5573, ext. 2677

FOR ALL WHO ARE DIVORCED, WIDOWED OR SEPARATED.

...there is a special heartache in finding oneself alone again. Men and Women of all ages are encouraged to attend a Beginning Experience weekend designed for those who wish to resolve the pain and grief of the marriage relationship that has ended, and wish to create a more peace-filled future. The weekend will be held October 27-29 at the Archdiocesan Conference Center at St. Thomas Seminary in Bloomfield. The weekend begins Friday evening, October 27, and continues through Sunday afternoon, October 29, concluding with Mass. The weekend fee is \$235/person, which includes the program and materials, all meals on Saturday and Sunday, and a follow up event. For more information and an application for yourself or for a friend, please call Maureen at 860.285.8685 or Victoria at 860.993.2384. For more information, go to: www.beginningexperience.org/connecticut. Beginning Experience is endorsed by the Archdiocesan Family Life Office.



baptism class

Baptism: parents (who are registered here) can begin to prepare for the Sacrament of Baptism for their child even before the child is born. This allows enough time for the required preparation. Godparents must be confirmed and obtain a Sponsor Certificate from their own Catholic parish. The date for the Baptism is scheduled after attending the Parent Preparation Program. Baptisms *normally* take place on Sundays. **To begin the process, call the Office at 860-747-6825.** We will then contact coordinators Rich & Sue Dziura who will schedule your classes.

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Saturday October 14 & Sunday October 15: CREA Fair Trade
Sunday October 15: Wedding Anniversary Celebration
Saturday October 21: Men's Conference, Bristol (all day)

ST. ANTHONY SOCIETY... Oct. 28 & 29 we will have our annual Cookie Walk after all of the Masses. Cookie donations are welcome. Join us and be part of our OLM family. Questions? Call Elaine 860.747.2528.



REGISTER TODAY

2017 Archdiocesan Connecticut Catholic Men's Conference
"You will be my witnesses" - Acts 1:8

DATE: Saturday, October 21, 2017
LOCATION: St. Paul Catholic High School,
Bristol, CT

SPEAKERS include: EWTN's Raymond Arroyo, Catholic Answers' Tim Staples, Diocese of Bridgeport Bishop Frank Caggiano, Franciscan Friar of the Renewal Fr. Glenn Sudano, and James Wahlberg of the Mark Wahlberg Youth Foundation.

Tickets are \$45, includes box lunch and free parking. Go to:
<https://www.ctcatholicmen.org>

BOTTLE DRIVE!...YES! Our Youth Group (JOLT) is holding a long-awaited can and bottle drive. Please bring your redeemable (CT 5¢) cans and bottles to the Parish Center on SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21ST from 9 – 11AM. Proceeds support our teen's youth group activities. Thank you.



THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MUSEUM... at 1 State Street in New Haven, will host a public lecture, "Fr. William Davitt: Knight of the Doughboy," Saturday, Oct. 21, at 2 p.m. about a military chaplain priest from the Springfield diocese killed on the last day of battle during World War I. Admission and parking are free. More information: 203-865-0400 or kofcmuseum.org.

BIRTHRIGHT NEEDS YOU!...Birthright is a pregnancy service offering free pregnancy tests, friendship counseling, and practical support to women experiencing a crisis pregnancy. Our guiding principle: It is the RIGHT of every pregnant woman to give BIRTH and the RIGHT of every child to be BORN. Birthright has served in Connecticut since 1972 and has nine locations. We help any pregnant girl or woman who calls us. If you would like to help, please call 1.800.550.4900 for the Birthright nearest you. Training is provided. A special call to Spanish speaking volunteers. Thank you.

DISCOVER WHY ST. PAUL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL...has become the choice for more and more families for a truly great Catholic education experience! If you or someone you know has a prospective 6, 7, or 8th grade student, visit us at one of our Open Houses:

Saturday, October 14 at 10:00am
Saturday, November 4 at 10:00am

Tours of our building, meeting our faculty and visiting our family are all part of our open houses. **WELCOME HOME!** Pre-registration is suggested, but not required. To pre-register please visit www.spchs.com/openhouse.

Also, on Saturday, November 18, 2017 we will hold our Placement Exam for prospective 9th and 10th grade students. Visit our website for more information at www.spchs.com/admissions

SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR VICTIMS OF HURRICNE IRMA ON OCTOBER 14TH & 15TH...

Hurricane Irma has devastated significant parts of the Caribbean and the southeastern United States. While emergency outreach was immediate, we know that the road to recovery and the rebuilding of communities will be long and additional support will be needed. These funds will be used in the affected areas to support humanitarian aid, assistance with long-term efforts to restore communities after widespread destruction, and for the pastoral and reconstruction needs of the Church in US and the Caribbean. I am aware that this call comes on the heels of the emergency collection for Hurricane Harvey.

SWEATERS FOR VETERANS...as of the weekend of October 14th & 15th through November 11th & 12th, we will be collecting new and gently used sweaters, hats, scarves and gloves for both men and women veterans in Connecticut. Bins will be placed in the Gathering Space for your generous donations.

A HUGE THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HELPED WITH THE TAG SALE IN ANY WAY!...We couldn't have done it without you. Thank you for working so hard to set up and take down the items and donating so much of your time. We realized a profit of \$2,160! Way to go!



PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY CRUSADE...Please join us in praying for our nation on Saturday, 10/14 at Noon. Our nation is in great need of public prayer, repentance and conversion. The local Public Square Rosary Rally will take place at 340 Cooke St., Plainville. Please call Cindy Boucher at 860.517.9784 for more information. Please bring a lawn chair.

Let us keep Fr. Kevin in our prayers as he continues to heal from his second surgery.



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